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(54) Title: COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR NERVE REGENERATION

(57) Abstract: The present invention provides a pharmaceutical composition and method for regenerating nerves and treating neu-
rological diseases based on nerve regeneration. The present invention employs a substance, such as Pep5, PKC, IP3, Rho, Rho GDI,
Rho kinase, or the like, which are involved in a p75 signal transduction pathway, or an agent capable of specifically interacting with
any of these substances to block or suppress the p75 signal transduction pathway, thereby stopping inhibition of nerve regeneration.
As a result, nerve regeneration is resumed. The present invention is also the first to disclose that the PTD domain is useful as an
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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

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Although claims 99-104, 108 are directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.
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Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this International application, as follows:

see additional sheet

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2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
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